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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7816

BILL NUMBER: SB 470

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 15, 2003

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Candidate qualifications.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Lanane

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

**FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL**

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: The bill provides that a person who is convicted of certain felonies is eligible to hold and be a candidate for an elected office beginning ten years after the person has been discharged from all requirements imposed as a result of the person's conviction. The bill provides that a person convicted of other felonies is not eligible to hold or be a candidate for an elected office.

Effective Date: July 1, 2003.

Explanation of State Expenditures: *Summary:* Under the bill, the Election Division could require additional administrative time to discern between qualifying and disqualifying felonies on candidate filing reports.

Background: As of November 4, 2002, the Election Division of the Office of the Secretary of State employs 12 persons, 11 full-time and 1 intermittent. The funds and resources required above could be supplied through a variety of sources, including the following: (1) Existing staff and resources not currently being used to capacity; (2) Existing staff and resources currently being used in another program; (3) Authorized, but vacant, staff positions, including those positions that would need to be reclassified; (4) Funds that, otherwise, would be reverted; or (5) New appropriations. Ultimately, the source of funds and resources required to satisfy the requirements of this bill will depend upon legislative and administrative actions.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Indiana Election Division.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: *State of Indiana HRM Detail Staffing Report, 11/04/2002.*

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